



**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Date February 22, 2007

In re the Application of

Frederic BESEME et al.

Group Art Unit: 1636

Application No.: 10/717,580

Examiner: L. MCGILLEM

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Docket No.: 105045.01

For: ENDOGENETIC RETROVIRAL SEQUENCES, ASSOCIATED WITH AUTOIMMUNE DISEASES OR WITH PREGNANCY DISORDERS

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> EXTENSION  
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND  
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

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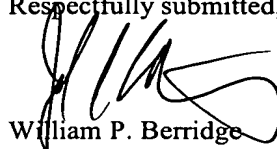
Sir:

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